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SUBJECT: GAO SURVEY: "INTERNATIONAL OIL MARKET SYSTEM."

1. GAO WASHINGTON, D. C. HAS INFORMED DEPARTMENT OF STUDY BEING UNDERTAKEN AT REQUEST OF CONGRESS TO DEVELOP INFORMATION ON THE CURRENT AND FUTURE STRUCTURE OF THE INTERNATIONAL OIL MARKET SYSTEM. STUDY WILL FOCUS ON (1) THE RELATIONSHIP OF INTERNATIONAL OIL COMPANIES TO ORGANIZATION OF PETROLEUM EXPORTING COUNTRIES; (2) THE DEVELOPMENT OF STATE-OWNED, INTEGRATED OIL COMPANIES WITHIN OPEC AND OTHER OIL PRODUCERS.

2. STUDY BEING CONDUCTED IN WASHINGTON AT STATE, FEA, TREASURY AS WELL AS WITH U.S. OIL AND BANKING COMMUNITIES. OVERSEAS PHASE INCLUDES ABU DHABI, ALGIERS, BAGHDAD, JIDDA, KUWAIT, LAGOS, TEHRAN, CARACAS, JAKARTA AND QUITO.

3. IN EACH OF THE COUNTRIES VISITED, GAO REPS PROPOSE  
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GATHER INFORMATION FROM AND MEET WITH EMBASSY OFFICIALS,

SELECTED MEMBERS OF THE U.S. BANKING COMMUNITIES, AND AS APPROPRIATE HOST GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS. GAO AWARE THAT APPOINTMENTS OR CONTACTS WITH FOREIGN GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE SECTOR OFFICIALS ARE AT DISCRETION OF AMBASSADOR, TO BE ARRANGED FOR BY EMBASSY, AND WITH CONCURRENCE OF

THE APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS. TO EXTENT POSSIBLE, DISCUSSIONS SHOULD BE CONDUCTED IN PRESENCE OF OFFICER.

4. GAO DIRECTOR EUROPEAN BRANCH WILL ADVISE ACTUAL DATE OF VISIT, NAMES AND SECURITY CLEARANCES OF AUDITORS.

5. DEPARTMENT WISHES BE FORTHCOMING AND COOPERATE WITH GAO ON SUBJECT STUDY WITHIN PROVISIONS 4 FAM 930-934. QUESTION OR PROBLEMS ARISING DURING COURSE OF SURVEY SHOULD BE REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. KISSINGER

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